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Proposed Bill No. 5205

LCO No. 875

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:

REP. CONWAY, 75th Dist.

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***AN ACT INCREASING THE ANNUAL INCOME LIMITS FOR
PARTICIPATION IN THE CONNECTICUT PHARMACEUTICAL
ASSISTANCE CONTRACT TO THE ELDERLY AND THE DISABLED
PROGRAM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That subsection (a) of section 17b-492 of the general statutes be
2 amended to (1) increase the annual income limit of an unmarried
3 resident eligible to participate in the Connecticut Pharmaceutical
4 Assistance Contract to the Elderly and the Disabled Program to
5 seventeen thousand five hundred dollars, and (2) increase the annual
6 income limit of a married resident eligible to participate in said
7 program to twenty thousand five hundred dollars. Notwithstanding
8 the income limits specified in said subsection, a resident may be
9 eligible to participate in the program provided such resident submits
10 evidence satisfactory to the Department of Social Services that such
11 resident has paid an amount for prescription drugs during the same
12 calendar year in which such resident has submitted an application for
13 assistance under the program that is equal to or greater than the

- 14 amount by which the annual income of the resident exceeds the
15 income limits established under said subsection.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the annual income limits of elderly or disabled persons eligible to participate in the ConnPACE program thereby assisting such persons with the escalating cost of prescription drugs and to allow persons to deduct prescription drug expenses from the annual income limits for purposes of determining ConnPACE eligibility.